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APPLICANTS: Jan Berka, et al.

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## MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to submit an Amendment and Response to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 11, 2007 in the above-identified application. With the extension, a Response is due on or before April 11, 2008. A check in the amount of \$120.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), for a large entity, is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account Number 50-0311, Reference Number: 21465-508 UTIL, Customer No. 35437. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 1, 2008

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